RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: APPLICATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES GRANT
UNDER SECTION 703 OF THE HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1965

WHEREAS Section 703 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 authorizes the making of grants of Federal funds to any local public body or agency to assist in financing the development cost of neighborhood facilities necessary for carrying out programs of community service; and

WHEREAS the Boston Redevelopment Authority (herein sometimes referred to as "Applicant") deems it to be necessary and in the public interest to provide certain facilities of the type contemplated in said Section 703 and to undertake a project (hereinafter called the "Neighborhood Facilities Project") with Federal grant assistance, described as United South End Settlements; and

WHEREAS it is recognized that the Federal contract for such financial assistance pursuant to said Section 703 will impose certain obligations and responsibilities upon the Applicant and will require among other things (1) the provision of the local share of the cost of the Neighborhood Facilities Project, (2) assurances that families or individuals displaced as a result of the development of the Neighborhood Facilities Project will be offered decent, safe and sanitary housing within their means, (3) the making of relocation payments in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Tousing and Urban Development, (4) compliance with Federal labor standards, and (5) compliance with Federal requirements relating to equal employment opportunity; and

WHEREAS Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development effectuating that Title, provide that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the undertaking and carrying out of projects receiving Federal financial assistance:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RESOLVES:

1. That an application on behalf of the Boston Redevelopment Authority be made to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant under Section 703 of the Housing Act of 1965, in an amount equal to two-thirds of the development cost of the Neighborhood

MEMORANDUM

TABLED: DECEMBER 4, 1969

RESUBMITTED: DECEMBER 11, 1969

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

JOHN D. WARNER, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES GRANT

UNITED SOUTH END SETTLEMENTS

SUMMARY:

This memorandum requests authorization to file an application with the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a Neighborhood Facilities Grant in order to undertake the United South End Settlements project.

The United South End Settlements (USES) project will provide expanded facilities for a variety of private and public assistance agencies serving the South End community. Community action, legal, health and family assistance services will be made available, as well as offices of the Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare, Massachusetts Division of Employment Security, and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department.

Presently, these agencies have inadequate or poorly located facilities in the South End, many of which are designated for removal in accordance with the South End Urban Renewal Plan. Implementation of the USES project will provide a new central district facility as well as a number of neighborhood facilities for these agencies, and will provide ready access to these necessary services for the people of the South End.

It is proposed that this project be financed through a Neighborhood Facilities Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, pursuant to Section 703 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965.

It is recommended that the Authority authorize the filing of a Section 703 application for financing of the USES project.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.

Attachment

Facilities Project, such development cost now estimated to be \$2,409,496.00.

- 2. That the Neighborhood Facilities Project (a) is necessary for carrying out a program of health, recreational, social, or similar community service in the area, (b) is consistent with comprehensive planning for the development of the community, and (c) will be available for use by a significant number of the area's low- or moderate-income residents.
- 3. That the Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application, to execute such contract or contracts as may be necessary for the grant applied for, to provide such information and furnish such documents as may be required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and to act as the authorized representative of the Applicant in the accomplishment of the Neighborhood Facilities Project.
 - 4. That the United States of America and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development be, and they hereby are, assured of full compliance by the Applicant with the regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development effectuating Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
 - 5. That the Neighborhood Facilities Project will be carried out in full compliance with applicable Federal statutes and regulations of the Secretary of Labor pertaining to the employment of laborers and mechanics on projects assisted with Federal funds.
- 6. That there exists in the locality an adequate amount of decent, safe and sanitary housing which will be available to individuals and families displaced as a result of the Neighborhood Facilities Project, at prices within their financial means, and that all displaces will be offered such housing in accordance with applicable regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

